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Hairy maclary dog template

First published in 1983, this is the first book in the Hairy Maclary series by Lynley Dodd. It's a rhyming tale about a scruffy dog named 'Hairy Maclary' and his friends' adventures in town. A key note: in New Zealand, a 'dairy' is a corner shop. The story follows Hairy Maclary as he goes for a walk with his friends and encounters Scarface Claw, the toughest cat in town. The dogs then run back home, while the wonderful illustrations bring this family-favourite tale to life. This book offers several opportunities for educational activities: 1. **Rhyming Words**: Due to its rhyming words, this story is perfect for teaching children about rhyming words. Read the book with your child and emphasize the rhyming words on each page. For example: "Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy" or "A scatter of paws and a clatter of claws." On subsequent readings, point out the rhyming words as they appear. This will help your child develop their understanding of rhyming words. 2. **Narrative Storytelling**: The story's clear sequence of events makes it ideal for developing narrative/story telling skills in children. Encourage your child to recount the story focusing on who, what is happening, where it happened, and use pictures by author Lynley Dodd to engage their interest. Introduce new characters each time they appear. 3. **Descriptive Words**: This book is full of colourful characters that can be used to teach descriptive words. Print copies of each character (e.g., Hairy Maclary, Bottomley Potts) and spend time with your child coming up with adjectives to describe them (e.g., fluffy, tall). I'd greatly appreciate it if you could share with me which activity from our previous session was your favorite, as reading together is such a special bonding experience for children.